

invention as disclosed entitles me to the subject matter as claimed in claim 1, and claim 21.

The reissue claims are submitted as being for the same invention as the invention disclosed in the original patent. It is further submitted that the new Claims 21 to 37 are not directed to subject matter which has been previously canceled. The Claims 21 to 37 are considered to be a broadening of the Claims as originally filed and this application is being filed within the two year limit for filing applications for a broadening reissue.

The background to this invention is that in the granted U.S. Patent No. 5,670,007, reference is made to a process of producing reinforced slabs which only require the features in new claim 21.

Considering column 3, lines 8, it is not essential that the rear smooth face be free of grooves or recess, therefore this is omitted and the insertion of the reinforced layer is also omitted. Reference is also made to column 2, lines 60 to 67 of the patent, and to column 4, lines 10 to 28 of the patent.

Claim 22 is similar to claim 2 of my patent but is broadened because it now depends from new claim 21.

Claim 23 is a new claim that was added, dependent on claim 22 which refers to glass strands and the percentage ratio in claim 4 of my patent, and the glass strands can be in the form of a matting or bundles.

Claim 24 tracks claim 5 of the patent.

Claim 25 follows claim 6 of the patent.

Claim 26 adds the feature of inserting further linear reinforcing elements, and this is a feature which was removed from claim 1 to arrive at claim 21.

Claim 27 is based on claim 7 of the patent.

Claim 28 calls for grooves or recesses formed in the rear face and adds reinforcing elements as being housed in the grooves or recesses, and claim 8 of the patent is a basis for this claim.

Claim 29 is based on claim 9 of the patent.

Claim 30 substantially follows claim 10 of the patent.

Claims 31 to 33 generally follow claims 11 to 13 of the patent,
respectively.

Claim 34 tracks claim 14 of the patent, but has some slight change in
rendition of the ratio.

Claim 35 is somewhat similar to claim 16 of the patent.

Claim 36 is based on claim 17 of the patent.

Claim 37 is based on claim 18 of the patent.

Accordingly, early and favorable consideration is respectfully solicited
together with the allowance of this Application.

Respectfully submitted,
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